

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEETING NO. 7

Thursday, May 26, 2016

PRESENT: Chair Bill Miller

Directors Taylor Bachrach
Eileen Benedict
Shane Brienen
Mark Fisher
Tom Greenaway
Thomas Liversidge
Rob MacDougall
Rob Newell
Mark Parker
Jerry Petersen
Darcy Repen
Luke Strimbold – left at 11:39 a.m., returned at 1:19 p.m.
Gerry Thiessen – left at 1:27 p.m.

Director Dwayne Lindstrom, Village of Fraser Lake

Absent

Staff Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services
Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator
Marli Bodhi – arrived at 1:19 p.m., left at 1:22 p.m.
Farhan Hussain, Economic Development Student – arrived at 11:16 a.m., left at 11:46 a.m.
Deborah Jones-Middleton, Protective Services Manager – left at 11:12 a.m., returned at 11:21 a.m., left at 11:45 a.m.
Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning – arrived at 11:18 a.m., left at 11:30 a.m.
Corrine Swenson, Manager of Regional Economic Development – left at 11:46 a.m.
Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant
Elaine Wiebe, Environmental Services Assistant – arrived at 11:47 a.m., left at 11:52 a.m.

Others Marc Bekar, Smithers – left at 12:11 p.m.
Claudette Gouger, Community Manager, New Gold Blackwater Project - left at 11:29 a.m.
Wade Lubbers, Smithers – left at 12:11 p.m.
Bernard Patrick, LBN Infrastructure Manager – left at 11:22 a.m.
Mark Rossmann, HBH, Smithers – left at 12:11 p.m.
Alistair Schroff, Lakes Animal Friendship Society – left at 11:14 a.m.
Christina Pommelet, Lakes Animal Friendship Society – left at 11:14 a.m.
Fred Wilson, Northwest Truck Rentals, Smithers – left at 12:42 p.m.

Media Flavio Nienow, LD News – left at 11:12 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

**AGENDA &
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2016-7-1

“That the agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board meeting of May 26, 2016 be approved; and further, that the Supplementary Agenda be received and dealt with at this meeting.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes
-April 28, 2016

Moved by Director Petersen
Seconded by Director Fisher

2016-7-2

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board Meeting Minutes of April 28, 2016 be adopted.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Committee
Meeting Minutes

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2016-7-3

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Committee Meeting Minutes:

- Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
 - April 28, 2016 (Unapproved);
- Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
 - March 24, 2016;
- Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
 - May 12, 2016 (Unapproved);
- Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
 - April 14, 2016;
- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
 - May 12, 2016 (Unapproved);
- Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes
 - April 14, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DELEGATIONS

LAKES ANIMAL FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY– Alistair Schroff RE: Upcoming Events/Update

Chair Miller welcomed Alistair Schroff, Lakes Animal Friendship Society (LAFS).

Mr. Schroff thanked the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako for its support of the Lakes Animal Friendship Society and its programs. He also thanked June Stratichuk, RDBN Grant Writer for her assistance in writing a Community Gaming Grant wherein the society was successful in the amount of \$6,500.

Mr. Schroff introduced Christina Pommelet who has recently been hired by Mr. Schroff to assist with the Lakes Animal Friendship Society. She will be completing educational school visits in Fort St. James the week of May 30 to June 3, 2016.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

LAKES ANIMAL FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY– Alistair Schroff RE: Upcoming Events/Update (CONT'D)

In the summer of 2016, LAFS completed a survey to determine the status of the animal population in Burns Lake and the six First Nations communities in the region. Two-thirds of the animals that have been part of the past Community Animal Care Events have been from First Nations communities. Mr. Schroff noted that the survey showed that there had been a huge difference in the level of population of companion animals but in order to maintain control of the population another event would be needed. The Canadian Animal Assistance Team (CAAT) Spay and Neuter Clinic which is hosted by LAFS will be in Burns Lake June 5 to 7, 2016 and in Fort St. James June 9 to 11, 2016. The 2016 survey indicated that approximately 100 animals would need to be spayed and neutered to maintain control of the animal population. In order to maintain the population of animals the target for 2017 and moving forward is to spay and neuter approximately 50 animals.

The Canadian Animal Assistance Team (CAAT) has completed over 600 animals since the inception of the events. CAAT has provided \$100,000 in veterinarian services which has saved the Village of Burns Lake approximately \$8,000 per year to the amount of ~\$40,000 to date in animal control costs. Mr. Schroff commented that LAFS may be applying for grant in aid assistance in order to assist their program.

Mr. Schroff mentioned that the book "Nobody's Cats" written by Mr. Schroff and Valerie Ingram has now more than 13,000 copies distributed around the world. A partnership with the BC SPCA has made it possible for the book to be distributed to every elementary school in BC.

Director MacDougall commented that the Canadian Animal Assistance Team Spay and Neuter Clinic is critically important to the community of Fort St. James in reducing the population of animals and is very beneficial. He thanked everyone that donates their time and effort to the program.

Chair Miller thanked Mr. Schroff for attending the meeting.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

NEW GOLD BLACKWATER PROJECT – Claudette Gouger, Community Manager RE: Blackwater Project Update

Chair Miller welcomed Claudette Gouger, Community Manager, New Gold Blackwater Project.

Ms. Gouger provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Newgold – Blackwater Project

- Company Overview;
- Blackwater Project Update;
- Environmental Assessment Process;
- Rainy River Update;
- Next Steps.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

**NEW GOLD BLACKWATER PROJECT – Claudette Gouger, Community Manager RE:
Blackwater Project Update (CONT'D)**

Company Overview

All Assets Ranked in Top 5 Global Mining Jurisdictions ⁽¹⁾

#1 - Canada

- Blackwater (Development) – Mine Life: 17 years;
- New Afton (Operating) – Mine Life: 7 years + C-zone potential;
- Rainy River (Development) – Mine Life: 14 years;

#3 – United States

- Mesquite (Operating) – Mine Life: 7 years + residual leach;

#5 – Mexico

- Cerro San Pedro (Operating) – Mine Life: Final year + residual leach;

#2 – Australia

- Peak Mines (Operating) – Mine Life: 6+ years.

New Gold's Growth Initiative

Construction

- Rainy River – 325 Koz of annual production;

Permitting

- Blackwater – 485 Koz of annual production;

Engineering/Planning

- New Afton C-Zone;

2015E Gold Production 390-430 Koz;

New Gold has multiple organic growth options in its portfolio.

Blackwater Project

- 112 km southwest of Vanderhoof;
- 160 km southwest of Prince George.

Blackwater Project Summary

- Jurisdiction and Regional Update:
 - o #1 Country Ranking;
 - o ~1,100 km² Land Package;
- 2013 Feasibility Study:
 - o ~\$1,576 million Development Capital;
 - o 17 – year Mine Life;
 - o First nine years:
 - 485 Koz Annual Gold Production;
 - 1.8 Moz Annual Silver Production;
 - \$590/oz All-in Sustaining Costs;
- Significant Gold and Silver Resource:
 - o 8.2 Moz Gold Reserves;
 - o 60.8 Moz Silver Reserves;
 - o 1.3 Moz Gold M&I Resources;
 - o 7.8 Moz Silver M&I Resources;
- 2016 Plan
 - o Complete Federal Environmental Assessment process by late 2016/early 2017.

Blackwater Project

Mine Site Facilities

- Open pit, waste rock dumps, low grade ore and overburden stockpiles;
- Mill;
- Tailings storage facility;
- Water management facilities;
- Ancillary on-site infrastructure.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

Off-Site Infrastructure

- 140 km long 230 kV transmission line;
- 15 km access road;
- Airstrip and 6 km airstrip access road;
- 21 km freshwater supply pipeline and water intake on Tatelkuz Lake.

Exploration and Reclamation

- 2015 focus on reclaiming old exploration trails at Blackwater camp:
 - o Grading, planting and seeding;
 - o Planting of Whitebark Pine seedlings;
- Monitoring water quality.

Environmental Assessment Process

Projected EA Timeline

- The Blackwater Project is currently in the review stage, which includes technical review and public comment period;
 - o Project entered the 180 day review period - began on January 12, 2016;
 - o Public comment period was January 20 to February 19;
 - o Plan to have fully certified project in late 2016/early 2017.

Rainy River Project Update

- Significant milestones have been achieved to date:
 - o Engineering complete;
 - o Overall construction currently 25% complete:
 - \$312 million spent through December 31, 2015;
 - o Impacts and Benefits agreements completed with key First Nations and Metis;
 - o Secured low power rates through Industrial Electricity Incentive Program to end of 2024;
 - Indicative power cost of C\$2.4 cents/kWh (based on 2015 actual power rates);
 - o Commissioning on track for mid-2017;
- Development capital estimate of \$877 million – projected cost increases related to earthworks, tailings dam construction and installation of mechanical equipment, piping and electrical in processing plant, offset by depreciation of Canadian dollar;
 - o \$500 million capital program for 2016.

Next Steps

- Continue with community and First Nations consultations (Present and ongoing);
- Proceed with Environmental Assessment & permitting phase:
 - o Application Review Stage – started January 12, 2016;
- Continuing to partner with communities to help prepare local contractors and workers for potential construction and operation opportunities, including:
 - o Working with communities, First Nations, educational institutions, and economic and business development organizations to prepare people for jobs in the mining industry (present and increasing 2017 onwards);
- Expect to hire:
 - o 1,000 to 1,500 (peak) people during construction (2018-2020);
 - o 500 full-time workers to operate the mine (2020-2037).

Discussion took place regarding the retirement of Robert Gallagher, Chief Executive Officer, and his replacement David Schummer, Chief Operating Officer, currently.

Chair Miller thanked Ms. Gouger for attending the meeting.

DELEGATIONS (CONT'D)

LAKE BABINE NATION – Bernard Patrick, Lake Babine Nation (LBN) Infrastructure Manager RE: LBN Biomass Program

- Due to unforeseen circumstances presentation to be rescheduled.

DISCUSSION ITEM

Update RE: Community to Community Forum

Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services provided an update in regard to scheduling a date and facilitator for the Community to Community Forum. Discussion took place in regard to possible scheduling June 27-30, 2016 or July 4-7, 2016. The Ministry of Environment Spill Preparedness and Response request for comment deadline is June 30, 2016. The MoE has indicated that they would still be willing to send a representative to provide a presentation.

Director Bachrach mentioned that there are two facilitators in Smithers and Hazelton that maybe available if Dan George, FDMS Ltd. is not available to facilitate. Director Bachrach will provide contact information for the facilitators.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Committee Meeting
Recommendations
-May 12, 2016

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-4

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve Recommendations 1 through 4 as amended:

Committee of the Whole – May 12, 2016

Recommendation 1:

Re: Community to Community Forum

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the RDBN hosting a Community to Community Forum in Smithers; and further, that a date be scheduled June 27-30, 2016 or July 4-7, 2016.

Recommendation 2:

Re: Community to Community Forum Budget

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize funds for mileage for one vehicle per First Nations Community; and further, that an honorarium be provided to the First Nations communities in attendance wherein budget funds remain."

Recommendation 3:

Re: Social Media Targeted Marketing Campaign

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve accessing \$1,500 of the 2016 Regional Economic Development Marketing Budget for a Facebook Marketing campaign."

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Rural Directors Committee Meeting – May 12, 2016

Recommendation 4:

Re: Request for Grant in Aid

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the following grant in aid applications:

- Groundbreakers Agricultural Association be given \$5,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) for costs associated with its School Garden Support and Kids Dig Food Camp programs;
- Bulkley Valley Christian School be given \$200 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “A” (Smithers Rural) towards the Litter – a – Thon;
- Burns Lake Community Garden Society be given \$2,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “B” (Burns Lake Rural) for a compost demonstration and teaching Garden;
- Fort St. James Secondary School (School District No. 91) be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for costs associated with hosting the BC High School Single “A” Sr. Girls Soccer Championships;
- Music on the Mountain Society be given \$1,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “C” (Fort St. James Rural) for costs associated with the 2016 Music on the Mountain Festival;
- Vanderhoof Children’s Theatre be given \$4,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “F” (Vanderhoof Rural) for costs associated with travelling to Prince George, B.C. for Aladdin Jr.”
- Nechako Valley Exhibition Society be given \$10,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “F” (Vanderhoof Rural) for upgrades to the Beef Barn.”
- Fraser Lake Elementary Secondary School Mountain Bike Club be given \$1,500 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) for costs associated with upcoming Provincials in Port Coquitlam, B.C.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Spill Preparedness and Response in B.C.: Proposed Amendments to the Environmental Regulations

Moved by Director Brienen
Seconded by Director Parker

2016-7-5

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Protective Services Manager’s May 10, 2016 memo titled “Spill Preparedness and Response in B.C. Proposed Amendments to the Environmental Management Act and Proposed Regulations.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Concerns were brought forward in regard to staff capacity in regard to possibly increasing training time and budgets for local government fire departments in regard to spill preparedness and response in BC.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Amendments to the RDBN Fire/Rescue Respiratory Protection Program

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Benedict

2016-7-6

1. “That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Protective Services Manager’s May 26,

2016 memo titled "Amendments to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Fire/Rescue Respiratory Protection Program."
2. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the recommended changes to the "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Fire/Rescue Respiratory Protection Program."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Amendments to the RDBN
Fire/Rescue Occupational
Health & Safety Guideline

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Newell

2016-7-7

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Protective Services Manager's May 26, 2016 memo titled "Amendments to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Fire/Rescue Occupational Health & Safety Guideline."
2. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the recommended changes to the "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Fire/Rescue Occupational Health & Safety Guideline."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Amendments to the RDBN
Fire/Rescue Services Standard
Operating Guidelines

Moved by Director Brien
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-8

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Protective Services Manager's May 26, 2016 memo titled "Amendments to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Fire/Rescue Services Standard Operating Guidelines."
2. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve the recommended changes to the "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Fire/Rescue Services Standard Operating Guidelines."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Bulkley Valley Agriculture
and Industrial Association
-Northern Development
Application – North West RAC

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Parker

2016-7-9

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors support the Bulkley Valley Agriculture and Industrial Association

application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust – Fabulous Festivals and Events in the amount of \$2,500.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Lakes District Airport Runway Repaving

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-10

1. “That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Financial Administrator’s May 6, 2016 memo titled “Lakes District Airport Runway Repaving.”
2. That a liability under Section 175 of the *Community Charter* be authorized in an amount not exceeding \$675,000 (Six hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars and zero cents) for a term not exceeding five years with no provisions for renewal, to provide a grant to the Lakes District Airport Society for resurfacing the runway; and,
3. That the Board authorizes the elimination of the planned \$45,000 contribution to the capital reserve for 2016, if needed.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Items to be brought forward To the Public Agenda from Special (In-Camera) Meeting

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2016-7-11

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify release of the following motion from the Special (In-Camera) meeting of April 28, 2016:

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors appoint Melany de Weerd as its Acting Chief Administrative Officer for the period of July 1 to December 31, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS (CONT'D)

Director Bachrach removed himself from the meeting at 11:45 a.m. due to his wife being on the Smithers and Area Victim Services Board of Directors.

Administration Reports

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Petersen

2016-7-12

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Administration Reports:

- Financial Administrator's May 17, 2016 memo titled "Proposed new RDBN Service – Smithers and Area Victim Services;
- Financial Administrator's May 17, 2016 memo titled "Service Revenues by Agreement – Sunset Beach;
- Manager of Administrative Services' May 17, 2016 memo titled "RDBN Officers Bylaw – Amendment;"
- Chief Administrative Officer – Notes from CAO/CEO Forum – March 29, 2016 – Victoria, B.C."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Bachrach returned to the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Manson Creek Landfill
-Operations Contract

Moved by Director Greenaway
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2016-7-13

1. "That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Director of Environmental Services' May 9, 2016 memo titled "Manson Creek Landfill – Operations Contract."
2. Further, that the Board of Directors award a Contract extension for operation of the Manson Creek Landfill, which includes the additional requirements associated with the electrified fence and gates, from June 1, 2016 to October 31, 2018 to Lepka Holdings Ltd. and that the payment terms would be as follows:
 - i. The lump sum amount of \$13,000 (excluding GST) for the term of the Contract from June 1, 2016 to October 31, 2016 during which the Work was satisfactorily performed. Payment shall be provided by the Regional District on the 15th of November, 2016 following receipt of an invoice from the Contractors.
 - ii. In June of each year, during the Term of the Contract, beginning in 2017, an annual inflationary adjustment will be calculated and added to the previous year lump sum payment amount. The calculated inflationary adjustment will be based upon the change in the British Columbia Consumer Price Index from January 1 to December 31 of the previous year."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (CONT'D)

Climate Action Revenue
Incentive Program (CARIP)
Public Report – Climate Actions
Survey 2015

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Newell

2016-7-14

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Environmental Services Assistant's May 9, 2016 memo titled "Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Public Report – Climate Actions Survey 2015."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Bachrach requested staff provide a report in regard to the corporate greenhouse gas emissions from 2012 to 2015.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (All Directors)

ALR Application No. 1188
Jim and Susan Peebles
Subdivision within the ALR

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2016-7-15

“That Agricultural Land Reserve Subdivision Application No. 1188 be recommended to the Agricultural Land Commission for denial.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ELECTORAL AREA PLANNING

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION

Chair Miller called for comments from the gallery.

Development Variance Permit
A-04-16 Jason & Ellen Krueger
6460 Van Horn Frontage Road,
Telkwa, Electoral Area “A”

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Repen

2016-7-16

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve Development Variance Permit A-04-16 for Lot A, Section 25, Township 5, Range 5, Coast District, Plan 11637 and; Remainder SW ¼ Section 25, Township 5, Range 5, Coast District, Except Plans 1157, 4162, 4838, 6883 and 9207 and except Parcel A (See H16760) by reducing the minimum parcel size to 1.5 ha. from 16 ha to allow proposed Lot 1 and reducing the minimum parcel size to 2.0 ha. from 16 ha. To allow proposed Lot 2.”

(Participants/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION (CONT'D)

Chair Miller called for comments from the gallery.

Wade Lubbers, Site Manager, 7561466 Canada Inc, Jollymore Road stated that the intention of the property owner is to close the road right of ways for the benefit of agriculture. The property is used for hay crops and livestock herds. Mark Rossmaan, HBH Land Surveying Inc. commented that the existing road right of ways are land locked and to access them would require trespassing on private land.

Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning explained that the property owner is wishing to complete a boundary adjustment and provide access to the parcels using a legal parcel that functions as road. This can be allowed with approval from the Subdivision Approving Officer. Mr. Llewellyn provided an overview of the need for a Development Variance Permit.

Mr. Llewellyn referenced the letter in the RDBN Supplementary Agenda from Patricia Jean Bekar and the concerns brought forward in regard to access to their property. Discussion took place in regard to the private driveway through Crown Land from Babine Lake Road.

Director Bachrach spoke to concerns in regard to the future ownership of the parcels of land and the potential for the area to become a gated community.

Mr. Llewellyn mentioned that the property owner had made an application to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to close the private roads on the property. The MoTI did not support that road closure because of the concerns raised by area residents.

Marc Bekar, property owner of the adjacent property to 75464466 Canada Inc. property on Jollymore Road noted his concerns in regard to the removal of the legal access.

Development Variance Permit Moved by Director Fisher
A-05-16 7561466 Canada Inc. Seconded by Director Repen
Jollymore Road, Smithers
Electoral Area "A"

2016-7-17

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors:
1. Approve Development Variance Permit A-05-16 for the subject properties to vary Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700 by reducing the minimum parcel size from 16 ha. to 8 ha. and;
2. Direct staff to ask the Provincial Subdivision Approving Officer to consider the impact of gates restricting emergency access to the lands served by the proposed private road, and determine the appropriate steps necessary to address the issue; and further, that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure requesting that current road right of ways not be closed in the future."

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-18

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako defer Motion 2016-7-17 Development Variance Permit A-05-16 7516466 Canada Inc. Jollymore Road, Smithers, Electoral Area "A"

(Participants/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT APPLICATION (CONT'D)

Chair Miller called for comments from the gallery.

Development Variance Permit Moved by Director Newell
G-01-16 Paul Schwarz Seconded by Director Repen
48150 Axe Road, Granisle
Electoral Area "G"

2016-7-19

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors approve Development Variance Permit G-01-16 for the property located at 48150 Axe Road to vary Section 9.06 (1) (b) of Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993 to reduce the north side parcel line setback from 1.5 metres (5 ft.) to 0.9 metres (3 ft.) for a garage built in general compliance with Schedule A of the permit."

(Participants/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Floodplain Exemption

Floodplain Exemption
Application A-07-16
Laura and Jason Schreiber
12852 Eagle Road, Telkwa
Electoral Area "A"

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Repen

2016-7-20

"That Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors:

1. Approve the site specific exemption from Section 6.1.1 of the Floodplain Management Bylaw to reduce the Flood Construction Level of the Telkwa River from 3.0 metres (9.8 ft.) to 1.48 metres (4.8 ft.) for the proposed residence as shown in the Site Plan attached to the staff report, subject to the following conditions:

- a. Registration of a Covenant under Section 2913 of the *Land Title Act* on title of the subject property which requires the land be used in accordance with the report prepared by Bill Cheug. P.Eng McElhanney Consulting Services Ltd. dated May 13, 2016, and contains a "save harmless" clause, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning.
- b. Direct that a Building Permit not be issued until the property owner has registered a Covenant under Section 219 of the *Land Title Act* on title of the subject property which requires that the land be used in accordance with the report prepared by Bill Cheug, P.Eng McElhanney Consulting Services Ltd. dated May 13, 2016, and contains a "save harmless" clause, to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING

Floodplain Management
Amendments Bylaw 1771

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director MacDougall

2016-7-21

"That "Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Floodplain Management Amendment Bylaw No. 1771, 2016 be given first, second and third reading this 26th day of May, 2016."

(Participants/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW FOR THIRD READING

Rezoning and OCP
Amendment File No. A-06-14
Bylaws 1712 & 1768
West-End Ventures Inc. (Bruitjes)

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2016-7-22

1. “That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Report of the Public Hearing for “Smithers Telkwa Rural Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1768, 2016”, and “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1712, 2016”.
2. That “Smithers Telkwa Rural Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 1768, 2016” and “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1712, 2016” be given third reading this 26th day of May, 2016.”

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Thiessen

2016-7-23

“That Motion 2016-7-22 be amended such that:

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Rezoning Bylaw No. 1712 be amended as follows:

1. Contracting

“...: assembly of products or materials associated with the Contracting service being provided from the same site provided that this use does not occupy in total an area in excess of ~~twenty-five percent~~ ten percent of the Gross Floor Area of the Structure(s) used for Contracting;...”

Opposed: Director Parker CARRIED
 Director Repen

(All/Directors/Majority)

“That the question be called on Motion 2016-7-22 as amended.

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Bachrach spoke of the Town of Smithers concerns in regard to the development of businesses outside the Town of Smithers boundaries and the desire to restrict retail outside of the downtown core. Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning spoke to the amendment of a bylaw.

Break for lunch at 12:42 p.m.

Reconvened at 1:19 p.m.

Prairie Village Land Use
Inventory

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Fisher

2016-7-24

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize the Planning Department’s summer student (Marli Bodhi) to enter onto Prairie Village properties as an RDBN employee to inspect and determine whether the zoning bylaw regulations and requirements are being met.”

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OTHER (All Directors)

Planning Department Enquires
Report – April, 2016

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Repen

2016-7-25

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Planning Department Enquiries Report – April, 2016 as amended.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Planning Department Action List – April, 2016

Moved by Director Thiessen
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-26

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Action List – April, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Building Inspector’s Report – April, 2016

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Fisher

2016-7-27

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the Building Inspector’s Report - April, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Coastal Gaslink Pipeline Project RE: CGP Project Receives all Remaining BC Oil and Gas Commission Construction Permits May 5, 2016

Moved by Director Newell
Seconded by Director Strimbold

2016-7-28

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence titled “Coastal Gaslink Pipeline Project RE: CGP Project Receives All Remaining BC Oil and Gas Commission Construction Permits May 5, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VERBAL REPORTS

Director Newell – Update

Director Newell attended the following:

- BC Broadband Conference on May 3-4, 2016 in Vancouver, B.C. – A report to follow;
- BC Transit Meeting;
- Minerals North – very well done;
- Nechako White Sturgeon Recovery Initiative and the juvenile sturgeon release - May 13, 2016.

Minerals North

Director Repen noted that Minerals North was very good and that working with Smithers to host Minerals North was a good partnership.

Chair Update

Chair Miller mentioned that the Department Head meetings are continuing weekly with Melany de Weerd, Acting CAO calling into the meetings.

Chair Miller commented that today is Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator’s last meeting prior to vacation and retirement in August, 2016.

Receipt of Verbal Reports

Moved by Director Benedict
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-29

“That the verbal reports of the various Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Directors be received.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE

Administration Correspondence

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Brien

2016-7-30

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following correspondence:

- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure - Colleymount Road;
- John Rustad, MLA (Nechako Lakes) - Colleymount Road;
- Pacific Trail Pipeline Project – Community and First Nations Advisor Randall Sweet;
- BC Assessment - UBCM 2016 Convention - Meeting Invitation;
- BC Emergency Health Services – British Columbia’s Community Paramedicine Initiative;
- District of Kitimat Letter to Premier Christy Clark - C.O.R.E.Y. Motorcycle Safety GLP-M;
- Royal BC Museum - *Environmental Stewardship Project: Peace Region Expedition and Community Engagement (P.E.A.C.E.)*;
- British Columbia Professional Fire Fighters Association
 - Support for Advertisement in Magazine;
- Auditor General for Local Government - City of Revelstoke Performance Audit;
- City of Cranbrook - Resolution re: Fort McMurray;
- Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources
 - Snow Survey and Water Supply Bulletin - May 1, 2016;

ADMINISTRATION CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

- Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations/BC Wildfire Service - Burning Will be Restricted in Prince George Fire Centre;
- RoadSafety BC - BC Community Road Safety Survey;
- New Gold Blackwater Project – Spring 2016;
- Northern Health – News Release – Northern Health Child Health Consultation Engagement Opportunities Beginning May 19, 2016;
- Northern Health – Northern Health Board Unveils 2021 Strategic Plan;
- Union of B.C. Municipalities
 - 2016 Province-wide C2C Forum
 - Funding & Resources Update
 - Community Paramedicine Expands in BC
 - Advocacy for Infrastructure & Community Safety Costs
 - 2016 CEO Forum – Request for Topic Suggestions
 - 2016 Community Excellence Awards
 - Highlights of the April 13-15 Executive Meeting

INVITATIONS

- 2016 Resource Breakfast Series – September 27-30, 2016
– Victoria, B.C.;
- Implementing Community Sustainability Plans in BC – An Invitation to Participate in an Online Survey;
- The 14th Annual Premier’s BC Natural Resources Forum
– January 31-February 2, 2017.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Benedict noted concerns regarding the inability to meet with John Rustad, MLA Nechako Lakes in regard to the issues with Colleymount Road.

Director Repen referenced the correspondence from Northern Health – News Release – Northern Health Child Health Consultation Engagement Opportunities Beginning May 19, 2016 and the need to have youth involvement in the process. Director Benedict spoke of the challenges associated with children needing access to services and the need for mentors and support programs such as Big Brothers and Sisters. Agencies working independently of each other instead of in partnership with one another was also discussed.

FINANCIAL

Operating Accounts
-April, 2016

Moved by Director Repen
Seconded by Director Parker

2016-7-31

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors ratify the Operating Accounts – Paid April, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION LISTS

Action Lists

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2016-7-32

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Action Lists:
-February, 2016
-March, 2016
-April, 2016
-Action Items in Progress: Updated May 17, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW FOR FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READING

No. 1772– RDBN Weed
Control Extended Service
Establishment Amendment

Moved by Director Liversidge
Seconded by Director Newell

2016-7-33

“That “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Weed Control Extended Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1772, 2016” be given first, second and third reading this 26th day of May, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No. 1773– Fort Fraser
Community Hall Grant Local
Service Establishment Amendment

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Petersen

2016-7-34

“That “Fort Fraser Community Hall Grant Local Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1773, 2016” be given first, second and third reading this 26th day of May, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No. 1774– Fort Fraser
Cemetery Local Service
Establishment Amendment

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-35

“That “Fort Fraser Cemetery Local Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1774, 2016” be given first, second and third reading this 26th day of May, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No. 1775– Electoral Area “D”
(Fraser Lake Rural) Library
Local Service Establishment
Amendment

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-36

“That “Electoral Area “D” (Fraser Lake Rural) Library Local Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1775, 2016” be given first, second and third reading this 26th day of May, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BYLAW FOR FIRST, SECOND, THIRD READING (CONT’D)

Director Bachrach removed himself from the meeting at 1:39 p.m. due to his wife being on the Smithers and Area Victim Services Board of Directors.

No. 1776 Smithers and Area
Victims’ Services Service
Establishment

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Repen

2016-7-37

“That “Smithers and Area Victims’ Services Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1776, 2016” be given first, second and third reading this 26th day of May, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Director Bachrach returned to the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

No. 1777 Fort Fraser Fire
Protection Local Service
Establishment Amendment

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Brienen

2016-7-38

“That “Fort Fraser Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1777, 2016” be given first, second and third reading this 26th day of May, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**BYLAW FOR FIRST, SECOND, THIRD READING
AND ADOPTION**

No. 1778– RDBN Officers
Amendment

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Benedict

2016-7-39

“That “Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Officers Amendment Bylaw No. 1778, 2016” be given first, second, third reading and adoption this 26th day of May, 2016.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

READING FILE

Reading File

Moved by Director Strimbold
Seconded by Director Benedict

2016-7-40

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the following Reading File:

CORRESPONDENCE:

- BC Chamber of Commerce – Insight Newsletter
 - May 17, 2016
 - April 26, 2016;
- BC Healthy Communities – May 2016 eNews;

READING FILE (CONT'D)

CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

-CAO/CEO Forum – March 30, 2016 – Victoria, B.C. PowerPoint Presentations:

- Agriculture Land Commission – BC's Agricultural Land Commission
 - Auditor General for Local Government – Update 2016-2017 – Gordon Ruth, FCPA, FCQA
 - BCIMC – Pension Perspectives: The Challenge of Fixed Income
 - Emergency Management BC – Fire Safety Act Playbook – Training Standard Emergency Program Act – Gordon Anderson, Fire Commissioner, EMBC
 - Metro Vancouver Services and Solutions for a Livable Region – Regional Prosperity Initiative – Carol Mason, Commissioner/CAO, Metro Vancouver
 - National Bank Financial Markets – Global Geopolitical Overview Angelo Katsoras, Geopolitical Analyst
 - MMBC Program Update – Allen Langdon, Managing Director
 - Municipal Finance Authority of BC – Local Governments in the 21st Century: What are the Funding Options?
 - Young Anderson Barristers & Solicitors – Do BC Local Governments Need an Integrity Commissioner?
- Clean Energy Canada – Clean Energy Review:

- May 16, 2016 – Into the Heart of the Clean Energy Industry
 - May 12, 2016 – Don't Miss Us Live in Ottawa
 - May 2, 2016 – Will the Transition Include Canada's Indigenous?
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Prime Minister Trudeau To Deliver Keynote Address at FCM Conference in Winnipeg;
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities – 2016 Annual Conference Don't Miss Out!
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Alberta Fire Appeal;
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities – More on the New Federal Infrastructure Plans;
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Government of Canada Announces New Rail Safety Measures;
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities – President's Corner Update;
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Nominations to FCM's Board of Directors;
 - Federation of Canadian Municipalities - FCM News
- Week of:
- May 9, 2016
 - May 2, 2016
 - April 25, 2016
 - April 18, 2016;
- Institute of Public Administration of Canada – Job Opportunities;
 - Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations – Update From the Minister – April 2016;

READING FILE (CONT'D)

CORRESPONDENCE (CONT'D)

- Ministry of Lands and Natural Resource Operations – Information Bulletin – April 29, 2016 – Ecosystem Restoration Burns Set For Omineca Region;
- Nechako Reservoir Update - Flow Facts:
 - May 11, 2016
 - April 28, 2016;
- New Gold Blackwater Project – Spring 2016 Newsletter;
- Northern BC Tourism – May2016 News from Northern BC Tourism;
- Northern Development Initiative Trust – Building a Stronger North Newsletter – April 2016 – Revised;
- Northern Health News Releases: - April 22, 2016 – Houston Kindergarten Health Fair;
- Northern Health – Chief Medical Health Officer's Health Status Report on Child Health;
- Northern Health – Healthier Northern Communities ebrief
- Resource Works Newsletter:
 - May 10, 2016 – She Talks Resources: A Lucky Friday the 13
 - May 3, 2016 – 2016 BC Forest Fires: 98% Caused by Humans
 - April 28, 2016 – Dr. Keith Beckett Joins Resource Works
 - April 26, 2016 – Is this the future of clean power?
 - April 21, 2016 – LNG Beats IE in Northeast BC;

-RoadSafetyBC – BC Communities Road Safety Survey-
December, 2015;
-Social Planning & Research Council of British Columbia –
Access Awareness Day – June 4, 2016 – Building
Accessibility/Creating Community;
-Union of British Columbia Municipalities – UBCM Minutes of
112th Convention – Vancouver – September 21-25, 2015.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE

UBCM – 2016/17 (Spring)
Regional Community to
Community Forum – Approval
in Principle

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Repen

2016-7-41

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence from the Union of B.C. Municipalities – 2016/17 (Spring) Regional Community to Community Forum – Approval in Principle.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CORRESPONDENCE

Patricia Jean Bekar Re:
DVP A-05-16 7561466
Canada Inc. (HBH),
Electoral Area “A”

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Liversidge

2016-7-42

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence from Patricia Jean Bekar Re: DVP A-05-16 7561466 Canada Inc. (HBH) Electoral Area “A”.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Replacement Hydrotechnical
Assessment for 12852 Eagle
Road RE: Floodplain Exemption
A-07-16, Electoral Area A

Moved by Director Fisher
Seconded by Director Bachrach

2016-7-43

“That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors receive the correspondence titled “Replacement Hydrotechnical Assessment for 12852 Eagle Road Re: Floodplain Exemption A-07-16 Electoral Area “A”.”

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MEMO

Re: Covenant No. L16682

Moved by Director Fisher

Seconded by Director Brien

2016-7-44

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize the Board Chair to sign the documents necessary to release Covenant No. K17389 and L16682."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

Equity Mine

Director Newell requested information in regard to Equity Mine and its emergency planning. Deborah Jones-Middleton, Protective Services Manager mentioned that she had been invited by Equity Mine to attend a meeting in regard to its emergency plan.

Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator

Director Bachrach thanked Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator for his hard work and years of service at the RDBN and wished him well in his retirement. The Regional Board gave a round of applause.

SPECIAL IN-CAMERA MEETING MOTION

Moved by Director Parker
Seconded by Director Greenaway

2016-7-45

"In accordance with Section 90 (1)(i) of the *Community Charter* it is the opinion of the Board of Directors that matters pertaining to Section 90 (1)(i) – the receipt of advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege, including communications necessary for the purpose (Fire Safety Act) must be closed to the public therefore exercise their option of excluding the public for this meeting."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Director Bachrach
Seconded by Director Parker

2016-7-46

"That the meeting be adjourned at 1:45 p.m."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Bill Miller, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant